

AGENDA: February 11, 2003

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CATEGORY: Items Initiated by Council

DEPT.: City Council

TITLE: Modification to City Council Meeting
Schedule

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council adjust the City Council meeting schedule for July and August.

FISCAL IMPACT—There is no fiscal impact as a result of this recommendation.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The City Council has previously adopted a City Council meeting schedule for the current calendar year (see Attachment 1). As has been the Council's tradition for many years, a short break in Council meetings is scheduled during the late summer in order to facilitate the ability of Councilmembers and staff to take vacations while minimizing the number of Council meetings missed. While it has been the practice to have this break in meetings occur in late August, based on current school schedules, this break is often too late to accommodate the vacation plans of both Councilmembers and staff members with school-age children.

In order to have this break in meetings occur when it is most likely to benefit the vacation plans of Councilmembers and staff, I am suggesting that the break in meetings occur in late July and early August. Therefore, I propose that only one Council meeting be held in July on July 8. The next City Council meeting then would be held on August 19. If necessary, a City Council study session could be held on July 15. At a minimum, this schedule would provide a break consisting of the last two weeks in July and the first two weeks in August to accommodate vacation scheduling.

I therefore recommend that the City Council authorize an amendment to the City Council meeting schedule showing Council meetings on July 8 and August 19 and the possibility of a study session on July 15.

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Attachment: 1. 2003 City Council Meeting Schedule